

## The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, Idaho is been blessed with an abundant water resource that benefits the citizens of Idaho through economic development in rural areas of the state; and

Whereas, the delivery of irrigation water via water distribution systems to farmlands in the Treasure Valley has made possible an economic transformation through development of an agricultural economy which has directly resulted in the development of the area and the betterment of its residents; and

Whereas, the Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District supplies irrigation water via more than 500 miles of canals to more than 64,000 acres of Ada and Canyon County farmland plus more than 9,000 residential and commercial lots covering more than 3,500 acres of land; and

Whereas, the formation of the Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District was approved by the Board of Ada County Commissioners on February 15, 1904 and the District held its first formal Board of Directors meeting on March 9, 1904; and

Whereas, the Nampa & Meridian Irrigation District celebrates on March 9, 2004 its centennial of service to the citizens of Ada and Canyon Counties as an irrigation water supply system that has helped make possible an enormously successful agricultural economy in the Treasure Valley,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim March 9, 2004, to be

## NAMPA & MERIDIAN IRRIGATION DISTRICT CENTENNIAL DAY

in Idaho.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-second day of January in the year of our Lord two-thousand and three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-eighth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fourteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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